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TAGAS: APER (PEASHOCK DAVID)

SUBJECT: PERSONNEL ASSIGNMENT LAGOS

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1. EMBASSY PLEASED WITH PEASHOCK ASSIGNMENT AND WITH AUTHORIZATION OF LANGUAGE TRAINING FOR REDMOND. UNTIL RECEIPT OF REFTEL WE HAD BELIEVED REDMOND DEPARTING POST APRIL 1, BUT WILL NOW MAKE ARRANGEMENTS KEYED TO HIS REQUESTED JAN. 31 DEPARTURE.

2. WE RECOMMEND THAT PEASHOCK NOT TAKE OVER REDMOND'S FINANCIAL REPORTING DUTIES UPON ARRIVAL HERE BUT ASSUM FOR FIRST YEAR OF TOUR ANOTHER 0-5 POSITION WHICH INCLUDES RESPONSIBILITY FOR REGIONAL ECONOMIC REPORTING, MARKET RESEARCH MANAGEMENT, TRANSPORT SECTOR ARRAYS, BUSINESS SERVICES MANAGEMENT, AND SUPERVISION OF ALL 5 ECONOMIC SECTION LOCALS. AS OFFICER'S PREVIOUS OVERSEAS DUTY HAS BEEN CONSULAR, THIS SHOULD BE HELPFULL IN PROVIDING VALUABLE EXPERIENCE IN THE OPERATIONS OF AN INTEGRATED ECONOMIC-COMMERCIAL SECTION. EMBASSY HAS PLEASED TO MOVE RON ROBERTS INTO FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR REMAINDER OF HIS TOUR IN LAGOS AND HAS BEEN GROOMING HIS FOR THIS. ROBERTS, BACKGROUND INCLUDES UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE DEGREES IN ECONOMICS, EMPLOYMENT WITH LEADING AMERICAN BANK, HIS KNOWLEDGE OF LOCAL SCENE ALSO USEFUL FOR JOB, A FACTOR WHICH ALSO RELATES TO ONE MONTH GAP BETWEEN REDMOND'S DEPARTURE AND PEASHOCK'S ARRIVAL.

3. ECONOMIC SECTION'S PREFERENCE FOR IN-SECTION TRANSFER OF PROMOTION, AS SHOWN IN CASE OF ROBERTS, ALSO APPLIES TO REPLACE-

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MENT FOR JOHN SULLIVAN, SCHEDULED TO LEAVE LAGOS IN JULY-AUGUST

1976. EMBASSY BELIEVES THERE ARE SEVERAL ADVANTAGES IN MOVING HARVEY CLEW (0-4) PRESENTLY SERVING AS MAJOR PROJECTS OFFICER HERE INTO SULLIVAN'S POSITION AS DEPUTY CHIEF OF SECTION WHEN SULLIVAN DEPARTS.

4. CURRENT ORGANIZATIONAL PLAN OF ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL SECTION HAD BEEN AIRPOUCHED TO CA/FS/AF. AF/W ALREADY HAS COPIES OF DOCUMENT.
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